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What is claimed is:

1	1. A method of implementing real-time video-
2	audio interaction by data synchronization in an
3	Internet game, comprising the steps of:
4	establishing an Internet transmission channel
5	between a first internet game client and a
6	second internet game client, wherein the
7	Internet transmission channel is not
8	connected to an Internet game server;
9	executing an internet game in the first Internet
10	game client and the second internet game
11	client and connecting the first and second
12	Internet game clients to the internet game
13	server;
14	retrieving first real-time video data and first
15	real-time audio data in the first internet
16	game client in the Internet game;
17	compressing/encoding the first real-time video
18	data into a plurality of first video data
19	frames, and compressing/encoding the first
20	real-time audio data into a plurality of
21	first audio data packets in the first
22	Internet game client;
23	packaging the first video data frames and the
24	first audio data packets into a transmission
25	package in the first Internet game client
26	and attaching a time stamp to transmission
27	package, wherein the time stamp expresses

28	the synchronous relationship between the
29	first real-time video and audio data;
30	transmitting the transmission package to the
31	second Internet game client through the
32	Internet transmission channel;
33	decoding the transmission package into second
34	real-time video data and second real-time
35	audio data in the second Internet game
36	client; and
37	synchronizing the second real-time video and
38	audio data according to the time stamp, and
39	outputting the second real-time audio and
40	video data in the second Internet game
41	client in the Internet game.
1	2. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein
1 2	2. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the establishment of the Internet transmission channel
2	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel
2	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of:
2 3 4	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of: designating an Internet address of the second
2 3 4 5	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of: designating an Internet address of the second Internet game client directly or according
2 3 4 5	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of: designating an Internet address of the second Internet game client directly or according to a directory by the first Internet game
2 3 4 5 6 7	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of: designating an Internet address of the second Internet game client directly or according to a directory by the first Internet game client, wherein the directory includes the
2 3 4 5 6 7 8	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of: designating an Internet address of the second Internet game client directly or according to a directory by the first Internet game client, wherein the directory includes the Internet address of the second Internet game
2 3 4 5 6 7 8	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of: designating an Internet address of the second Internet game client directly or according to a directory by the first Internet game client, wherein the directory includes the Internet address of the second Internet game client;
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of: designating an Internet address of the second Internet game client directly or according to a directory by the first Internet game client, wherein the directory includes the Internet address of the second Internet game client; transmitting a connection request from the first
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of: designating an Internet address of the second Internet game client directly or according to a directory by the first Internet game client, wherein the directory includes the Internet address of the second Internet game client; transmitting a connection request from the first Internet game client to the second Internet
2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel further comprises the steps of: designating an Internet address of the second Internet game client directly or according to a directory by the first Internet game client, wherein the directory includes the Internet address of the second Internet game client; transmitting a connection request from the first Internet game client to the second Internet game client; and

- 1 3. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein if
- 2 the bandwidth of the Internet transmission channel
- 3 cannot transmit the first real-time audio data and the
- 4 first real-time video data simultaneously, the first
- 5 real-time audio data takes priority over first real-
- 6 time video data.
- 1 4. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein
- 2 the time stamp provides is time information required
- 3 to produce the first real-time video data and the
- 4 first real-time audio data.
- 5. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein
- 2 the synchronization is achieved by adding the system
- 3 time of the second internet game client to the time
- 4 stamp to generate the display time of the second real-
- 5 time video and audio data.
- 1 6. The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein
- 2 synchronization is achieved by comparing the time
- 3 stamp the amount of the frames dropped by the second
- 4 real-time video data.
- The method as claimed in claim 1, wherein
- 2 playback of the second real-time video data is
- 3 accomplished by integrating the second real-time video
- 4 data into the game environments of the Internet game
- 5 as texture mapping.
- 1 8. A system of implementing real-time video-
- 2 audio interaction by data synchronization in an
- 3 Internet game, comprising:

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4 an Internet game server, executing an Internet 5 game; and 6 a plurality of Internet game clients, comprising 7 a first Internet game client, a second 8 Internet game client, and an Internet 9 transmission channel, the first and the 10 second Internet game clients connecting to 11 the Internet game server, the 12 transmission channel coupled to the first 13 Internet game client and the second Internet 14 game client 1 The system as claimed in claim 8, wherein the first internet game client further comprises: 2 3 a real-time data retriever, retrieving first 4 real-time video data and first real-time 5 audio data from the first Internet game 6 client; 7 a data encoder, coupled to the real-time data 8 retriever, compressing/encoding the first 9 real-time video data into a plurality of 10 first video data frames, and compressing 11 /encoding the first audio data into a 12 plurality of first audio data packets; 13 a transmission packager, coupled to the data 14 encoder, packaging the first video 15 frames and the first audio data packets into 16 a transmission package and attaching a time 17 stamp into the transmission package, wherein 18 the time stamp expresses the synchronous

- 19 relationship between the first real-time
- 20 video data and the first real-time audio
- 21 data; and
- 22 an Internet sender, coupled to the transmission
- 23 packager, transmitting the transmission
- 24 package to the second Internet game client
- 25 through the Internet transmission channel.
 - 1 10. The system as claimed in claim 9, wherein if
 - 2 the bandwidth of the Internet transmission channel
 - 3 cannot transmit the first real-time audio data and the
 - 4 first real-time video data simultaneously, the first
 - 5 real-time audio data takes priority over first real-
 - 6 time video data.
 - 1 11. The system as claimed in claim 9, wherein
 - 2 the time stamp provides the time information required
 - 3 to produce the first real-time video data and the
 - 4 first real-time audio data.
 - 1 12. The system as claimed in claim 8, wherein
 - 2 the second Internet game client further comprises:
 - 3 a data decoder, coupled to the Internet
- 4 transmission channel, decoding the
- 5 transmission package into second video data
- 6 and second audio data;
- 7 a video-audio playback system, coupled to the
- 8 data decoder, synchronizing the second real-
- 9 time video and the second real-time audio
- 10 data according to the time stamp and

- 11 outputting the second video data and the
- 12 second audio data.
 - 1 13. The system as claimed in claim 12, wherein
 - 2 synchronization is achieved by adding the system time
 - 3 of the second internet game client to the time stamp
 - 4 to generate the display time of the second real-time
 - 5 video and audio data.
 - 1 14. The system as claimed in claim 12, wherein
- 2 synchronization is achieved by comparing the time
- 3 stamp the amount of the frames dropped by the second
- 4 real-time video data.
- 1 15. The system as claimed in claim 12, wherein
- 2 the video-audio playback system integrates the second
- 3 real-time video data into the game environments of the
- 4 Internet game as texture mapping.
- 1 16. The system as claimed in claim 8, wherein
- 2 the internet transmission channel is established by
- 3 assigning an Internet address to the second Internet
- 4 game client directly or according to a directory by
- 5 the first Internet game client, transmitting a
- 6 connecting request from the first Internet game client
- 7 to the second Internet game client, and the second
- 8 Internet game client establishing the Internet
- 9 transmission channel according to the connecting
- 10 request, wherein the directory includes the Internet
- 11 address of the second Internet game client.

1	17. A method of implementing real-time
2	interaction by video-audio synchronization between
3	Internet game clients, wherein the Internet game
4	client connects to an Internet game server, and
5	executes an Internet game, comprising the steps of:
6	establishing an Internet transmission channel to
7	an external Internet game client, wherein
8	the Internet transmission channel is not
9	connected to the Internet game server;
10	a real-time data retriever retrieving first real-
11	time video data and first real-time audio
12	data;
13	compressing/decoding the first real-time video
14	data and the first real-time audio data into
15	a first transmission package and attaching a
16	time stamp to the transmission package,
17	wherein the time stamp expresses the
18	synchronous relationship between the video
19	and audio data;
20	transmitting the first transmission package
21	through the Internet transmission channel;
22	receiving a second transmission package through
23	the Internet transmission channel;
24	decompressing/decoding the second transmission
25	package into second real-time video data and
26	second real-time audio data; and
27	synchronizing the second real-time video and the
28	second real-time audio data according to the
29	time stamp, and outputting the second real-

- 30 time audio data and video data in the game
- 31 environment.
- 1 18. The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein
- 2 the establishment of the Internet transmission channel
- 3 further comprises the steps of:
- 4 designating an Internet address of a third
- 5 external Internet game client by the
- Internet game client or the external
- 8 transmitting a connecting request to the third
- 9 Internet game client by the Internet game
- 10 client or the external Internet game client
- according to the Internet address; and
- 12 establishing the Internet transmission channel
- between the Internet game client and the
- 14 third Internet game client.
- 1 19. The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein
- 2 if the bandwidth of the internet transmission channel
- 3 cannot transmit the first real-time audio data and the
- 4 first real-time video data simultaneously, the first
- 5 real-time audio data takes priority over first real-
- 6 time video data.
- 20. The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein
- 2 in the establishing step, the Internet transmission
- 3 channel is established according to a directory,
- 4 having an Internet address of the third external
- 5 Internet game client.

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- 1 21. The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein
- 2 synchronization is achieved by adding the system time
- 3 of the second internet game client to the time stamp
- 4 to generate the display time of the second real-time
- '5 video and audio data.
 - 1 22. The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein
 - 2 synchronization is achieved by comparing the time
 - 3 stamp the amount of the frames dropped by the second
 - 4 real-time video data.
 - 1 23. The method as claimed in claim 17, wherein
 - 2 playback of the second video data is accomplished by
 - 3 integrating the second real-time video data into the
 - 4 game environment as texture mapping.
 - 1 24. A storage medium for storing a computer
 - program providing a method of implementing real-time
 - 3 video-audio interaction by data synchronization
 - 4 between Internet game clients, wherein the Internet
 - 5 game client connects to an Internet game server, and
 - 6 executes an Internet game, the computer program
 - 7 comprising using a computer to perform the steps of:
 - 8 establishing an Internet transmission channel to
 - 9 an external Internet game client, wherein
- 10 the Internet transmission channel is not
- 11 connected to the Internet game server;
- 12 a real-time data retriever retrieving first real-
- 13 time video data and first real-time audio
- 14 data;

15	compressing/decoding the first real-time video
16	data and the first real-time audio data into
17	a first transmission package, and attaching
18	a time stamp into the transmission package,
19	wherein the time stamp expresses the
20	synchronous relationship between the video
21	and audio data;
22	transmitting the first transmission package
23	through the Internet transmission channel;
24	receiving a second transmission package through
25	the Internet transmission channel;
26	decompressing/decoding the second transmission
27	package into second real-time video data and
28	second real-time audio data; and
29	synchronizing the second real-time video and the
30	second real-time audio data according to the
31	time stamp, and outputting the second real-
32	time audio data and video data in the game
33	environment.
1	25. The method as claimed in claim 24, wherein
2	the establishment of the Internet transmission channel
3	further comprises the steps of:
4	designating an Internet address of a third
5	external Internet game client by the
6	Internet game client or the external
7	Internet game client;
8	transmitting a connecting request to the third
9	Internet game client by the Internet game

- 10 client or the external Internet game client
- 11 according to the Internet address; and
- 12 establishing the Internet transmission channel
- 13 between the Internet game client and the
- 14 third Internet game client.
 - 1 26. The method as claimed in claim 24, wherein
 - 2 if the bandwidth of the internet transmission channel
 - 3 cannot transmit the first real-time audio data and the
 - 4 first real-time video data simultaneously, the first
 - 5 real-time audio data takes priority over first real-
- 6 time video data.
- 1 27. The method as claimed in claim 24, wherein
- 2 in the establishing step, the Internet transmission
- 3 channel is established according to a directory,
- 4 having an Internet address of the third external
- 5 Internet game client.
- 1 28. The method as claimed in claim 24, wherein
- 2 synchronization is achieved by adding the system time
- 3 of the second internet game client to the time stamp
- 4 to generate the display time of the second real-time
- 5 video and audio data.
- 1 29. The method as claimed in claim 24, wherein
- 2 synchronization is achieved by comparing the time
- 3 stamp the amount of the frames dropped by the second
- 4 real-time video data.
- 1 30. The method as claimed in claim 24, wherein
- 2 playback of the second video data is accomplished by

- 3 integrating the second real-time video data into the
- 4 game environment as texture mapping.
- 1 31. A computer system of an Internet game,
- 2 executing an Internet game and having a storage medium
- 3 for storing a computer program, wherein the computer
- 4 program is applied to a computer system and executes
- 5 the method of real-time video-audio interaction
- 6 between Internet game clients, the Internet game
- 7 client connecting to an Internet game server,
- 8 executing an Internet game, and outputting a game
- 9 environment, the method comprising the steps of:
- 10 establishing an Internet transmission channel to
- an external Internet game client, wherein
- the Internet transmission channel is not
- connected to the Internet game server;
- 14 a real-time data retriever retrieving first real-
- 15 time video data and first real-time audio
- 16 data;
- 17 compressing/decoding the first real-time video
- data and the first real-time audio data into
- 19 a first transmission package, and attaching
- a time stamp into the transmission package,
- 21 wherein the time stamp expresses the
- 22 synchronous relationship between the video
- 23 and audio data;
- 24 transmitting the first transmission package
- 25 through the Internet transmission channel;
- 26 receiving a second transmission package through

- decompressing/decoding the second transmission 28 29 package into second real-time video data and 30 second real-time audio data; and 31 synchronizing the second real-time video and the 32 second real-time audio data according to the 33 time stamp, and outputting the second real-34 time audio data and video data in the game 35 environment. 1 The method as claimed in claim 31, wherein 2 the establishment of the Internet transmission channel 3 further comprises the steps of: 4 designating an Internet address of 5 external Internet game client by 6 Internet game client the orexternal 7 Internet game client; transmitting a connecting request to the third 8 9 Internet game client by the Internet game 10 client or the external Internet game client 11 according to the Internet address; and 12 establishing the Internet transmission channel 13 between the Internet game client and the 14 third Internet game client. 1 The method as claimed in claim 31, wherein
- 2 if the bandwidth of the internet transmission channel 3 cannot transmit the first real-time audio data and the
- 4 first real-time video data simultaneously, the first
- 5 real-time audio data takes priority over first real-
- 6 time video data.

- 1 34. The method as claimed in claim 31, wherein
- 2 in the establishing step, the Internet transmission
- 3 channel is established according to a directory,
- 4 having an Internet address of the third external
- 5 Internet game client.
- 1 35. The method as claimed in claim 31, wherein
- 2 synchronization is achieved by adding the system time
- 3 of the second internet game client to the time stamp
- 4 to generate the display time of the second real-time
- 5 video and audio data.
- 1 36. The method as claimed in claim 31, wherein
- 2 synchronization is achieved by comparing the time
- 3 stamp the amount of the frames dropped by the second
- 4 real-time video data.
- 1 37. The method as claimed in claim 31, wherein
- 2 playback of the second video data is accomplished by
- 3 integrating the second real-time video data into the
- 4 game environment as texture mapping.
- 38. A method of implementing real-time video-
- 2 audio interaction by data synchronization in an
- 3 internet game for applying in a first Internet game
- 4 client and a second Internet game client, wherein the
- 5 first and second Internet game client execute an
- 6 Internet game and connect to an Internet game server,
- 7 comprising the steps of:
- 8 establishing an Internet transmission channel
- 9 between the first Internet game client and

10	the second Internet game client, wherein the
11	Internet transmission channel is not
12	connected to the Internet game server;
13	retrieving first real-time video data and first
14	real-time audio data in the first Internet
15	game client;
16	producing a plurality of first video data frames
17	and a plurality of first audio data packets;
18	packaging the first video data frames and the
19	first audio data packets into a transmission
20	package and attaching a time stamp into the
21	transmission package, wherein the time stamp
22	expresses the synchronous relationship
23	between the first real-time video and audio
24	data;
25	transmitting the transmission package to the
25 26	transmitting the transmission package to the second Internet game client;
26	second Internet game client;
26 27	second Internet game client; decoding the transmission package into second
26 27 28	second Internet game client; decoding the transmission package into second real-time video data and second real-time
26 27 28 29	second Internet game client; decoding the transmission package into second real-time video data and second real-time audio data; and
26 27 28 29 30	second Internet game client; decoding the transmission package into second real-time video data and second real-time audio data; and synchronizing the second real-time audio and
26 27 28 29 30 31	second Internet game client; decoding the transmission package into second real-time video data and second real-time audio data; and synchronizing the second real-time audio and video data according to the time stamp, and
26 27 28 29 30 31 32	second Internet game client; decoding the transmission package into second real-time video data and second real-time audio data; and synchronizing the second real-time audio and video data according to the time stamp, and outputting the second real-time audio data
26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33	second Internet game client; decoding the transmission package into second real-time video data and second real-time audio data; and synchronizing the second real-time audio and video data according to the time stamp, and outputting the second real-time audio data and video data in the Internet game in the
26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33	second Internet game client; decoding the transmission package into second real-time video data and second real-time audio data; and synchronizing the second real-time audio and video data according to the time stamp, and outputting the second real-time audio data and video data in the Internet game in the second Internet game client.
26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34	second Internet game client; decoding the transmission package into second real-time video data and second real-time audio data; and synchronizing the second real-time audio and video data according to the time stamp, and outputting the second real-time audio data and video data in the Internet game in the second Internet game client. 39. The method as claimed in claim 38, wherein

- to a directory by the first Internet game

 client, wherein the directory includes the

 Internet address of the second Internet game

 client;

 transmitting a connection request from the first

 Internet game client to the second Internet
- game client; and
 establishing the Internet transmission channel by
 the second Internet game client in response
 to the connection request.
 - 1 40. The method as claimed in claim 38, wherein
 - 2 the first real-time audio data is primarily packaged
 - 3 in the first transmission package, and the remaining
- 4 bandwidth is used for packaging the first real-time
 - 5 video data.
 - 1 41. The method as claimed in claim 38, wherein
 - 2 the first video data frames and the first audio data
 - 3 frames are produced by compressing/encoding.
 - 1 42. The method as claimed in claim 38, wherein
 - 2 the transmission package is transmitted to the second
 - 3 Internet game client through the Internet transmission
 - 4 channel.
 - 1 43. The method as claimed in claim 38, wherein
 - 2 the synchronization is based on system time of the
 - 3 second Internet game client adding the time stamp as
 - 4 display time of the second real-time video and audio
 - 5 data.

- 44. The method as claimed in claim 38, wherein synchronization is achieved by comparing the time stamp the amount of the frames dropped by the second real-time video data.
- 45. A system of implementing real-time videoaudio interaction by data synchronization in an Internet game for application to a first Internet game client, a second Internet game client, and an internet game server, wherein the Internet game server executes an Internet game, the system comprising:
- Internet transmission channel, the first
 Internet game client and the second Internet
 game client connecting to the Internet game
 server to execute the Internet game, the
 Internet transmission channel coupled to the
 first and second Internet game clients to
 execute real-time video-audio interaction.